

Docket No.: 50229-287



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Susheng GAN, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 5823
Application No.: 09/973,945	:	Group Art Unit: 1631
Filed: October 11, 2001	:	Examiner: LY, Cheyne D.

For: GENETIC INSULATOR FOR PREVENTING INFLUENCE BY ANOTHER GENE PROMOTER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

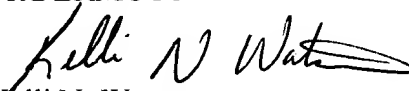
It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 1, 2004, now due to expire December 1, 2004, be extended for two month(s) and set to expire on February 1, 2005.

Please charge the extension fee of \$225.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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